

READY TO BREAK WITH GERMANY

Brazil to Insist on Guarantees by Berlin for the Safety of Its Ships

URUGUAY LINES UP WITH UNITED STATES

Sweden Rejects America's Stand and Announces Her Strict Neutrality

Buenos Aires, Feb. 10.—Brazil intends to sever relations with Germany, following the United States, unless Berlin guarantees there will be no damage to Brazilian ships or Brazilian interests, according to a Rio de Janeiro dispatch featured yesterday by the Buenos Aires Herald.

Rio de Janeiro, Feb. 10.—Brazil yesterday duplicated to the Austro-Hungarian government the note which she has already dispatched to Germany protesting against the Teutonic submarine policy. Although the text of the notes was not yet made public, it is known Brazil's decision not to accept Berlin's view that her own situation permits abandonment of international laws is expressed in firm words.

Chile Sends Strong Note.
Santiago, Chile, Feb. 10.—The Chile government declares that it is free to claim respect of its rights in case of any hostility to any Chilean ship. It is the blunt phraseology of a note which the Chilean government yesterday handed to the German minister for dispatch to Berlin.

The note repudiates Germany's right to establish the submarine zone and its terms indicate complete acceptance, short of breaking relations of the position taken by the United States.

"The restrictions imposed by Germany in her 'banned zone,'" the note declares, "mean restriction of neutral rights, Chile cannot accept such restrictions. They are contrary to the old principles favoring neutrals, and their acceptance by Chile would signify that the Chilean government is no longer neutral."

Uruguay Lines Up.
Montevideo, Uruguay, Feb. 10.—Uruguay agrees with the United States that neutrals cannot recognize Germany's "unrestricted submarine policy." A note strongly stating this position and "reserving Uruguay's right to act against actions contrary to international usage," has been forwarded to Berlin, it was stated.

Uruguay has also dispatched a note to the United States, answering President Wilson's plea to neutrals, declaring she "recognizes the justice and nobility of President Wilson's utterances."

Lima, Peru, Feb. 10.—Formal protest was made to Germany yesterday by the Peruvian government against the sinking

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Sweden Not with Wilson.

Stockholm, Feb. 10.—Sweden's disagreement with America's plan for neutrals to join against Germany was expressed in a note forwarded yesterday to Washington.

"The proposal," the note declares, "indicates its aim to shorten the war, but the method suggested by the United States to achieve this end is absolutely contrary to the principles which have hitherto guided Sweden's policy."

"The government, supported by the nation's opinion, confirmed by unanimous resolutions of its representatives, intends to follow in the future, as in the past, the path of neutrality toward both belligerents," the note continued. "It is not disposed to abandon it if the vital interests of the country and the nation's dignity do not force a change of policy."

General Sporting Notes.

It is stated that Ban Johnson, president of the American League, alleges that the baseball strike is broken and that 85 per cent of the star players of this league are under contracts which they have signed since the baseball strike situation was commenced. President Johnson said that without a doubt every star would be signed by the time the schedule meeting takes place on Feb. 15 and that every man who has been holding out has commenced to show signs of cold feet as the time draws near for the spring training trips.

Paul Tewksbury of the Woodland Golf club, Auburndale, Mass., was restored on Thursday to good standing as an amateur golfer by a vote of the executive committee of the United States Golf association. The announcement was made officially by Sec. Howard F. Whitney of the association, who said that action was taken after a careful consideration of Tewksbury's application for reinstatement and the guarantee of a Boston sporting goods firm that the applicant had been definitely and permanently withdrawn from the position in their establishment under which he violated the by-laws of the United States Golf association covering the definition of an amateur. He also made an announcement that Tewksbury had made a formal affidavit, confirming the firm's statement and pledging himself in the future to observe rigidly the amateur rule.

"DOC" MANN WAS SHOOTING STAR

Scored a Dozen Baskets for Spaulding Against Stowe High

TEAMWORK DISPLAYED BY BOTH SIDES

Spaulding Earned a Victory on Home Floor by Score of 46 to 28

The Spaulding basketball team won over Stowe high school last night at the Spaulding gymnasium by a score of 46 to 28 in a game that was marked by clean and fast play. While Spaulding made nearly enough points in the first period to win the game, they shot 11 baskets in the second period to make doubly sure of victory. The crowd which patronized the game was small, but the small handful of "royal rooters" who made it a point to attend kept the boys in a spirited mood by their continual cheering.

The most friendly feeling prevailed between the players of the contest teams, and at no time did any rough work appear on the floor, as both teams relied upon their teamwork to carry them through instead of the roughhouse tactics which have been displayed by several visiting teams, as well as by Spaulding. The teams seemed equally proficient in their team work, as the passing was of very high order and good guarding kept the score down.

The score hardly indicates the true strength of the upstate boys, as they certainly showed some clever work which they won't be credited with. The main reason for their defeat was the excellent work of "Doc" Mann, who caged the ball on 12 occasions, and his sidekick, Geale at center, who shot seven of the point-makers. The work of these two men was nothing less than remarkable, as they were very proficient in their passing game, and neither lost many shots unless they were bunched beneath the basket. Nichols, who played the right forward position, had hard luck all the evening in his basket shooting, and only twice did he cage the ball, and once from a difficult angle on the floor when he received the ball on a hard pass and shot it into the basket with a Stowe man on top of him. At guard, Denmore played a close game, following his forward throughout the entire time he was in, and scoring two baskets himself.

For Stowe, Chaffee was the best point-maker, as he caged the ball six times and some of them were difficult shots. There appeared to be no particular star on the team, but they appeared to be a well rounded quintet with the inside rudiments of the game drilled into them by efficient coaching.

Spaulding started out in the first period like a whirlwind, scoring a dozen points before Stowe awoke to the fact that they were up against a tough proposition; and they displayed this same fast work throughout the period, running up a total of 28 points before the whistle for time was blown. In this period Mann shot the bulk of his baskets, caging no less than eight, while Geale made four. At the end of this stanza, Cerasoli was put out of the game for fouling four times and his place was filled by Lyon, who played a few minutes and was taken out and Young went to fill the gap. Late in the second period, Capt. Denmore retired from the game and gave Noonan a chance to earn the coveted "S."

The second half, Stowe's lineup was shifted and Smalley, who played guard, was shifted to Slayton's forward position and Slayton went to guard. This combination seemed to work better and they played the Spaulding team with two subs to a one-point margin, Spaulding leading the period by a score of 22 to 21. The score is as follows:

Spaulding. Stowe.
Mann, H. 12, Smalley, Slayton
Nichols, R. 10, Lyons, Lyons
Geale, C. 10, Lyons, Lyons
Denmore, Noonan, Tg. 10, Lyons, Lyons
Cerasoli, Lyon, Young, lg. 10, Lyons, Lyons
Goals from fouls—Boardman 4, Baskets from floor—Mann 12, Geale 7, Chaffee 6, Slayton 3, Smalley 2, Nichols 2, Denmore 2, Boardman. Referee—J. T. Kenefick. Timers—Heath and Cole. Time—Two 20-minute periods.

CHILD GETS SICK, CROSS, FEVERISH, IF CONSTIPATED

"California Syrup of Figs" Can't Harm Tender Stomach or Bowels

A laxative to-day saves a sick child to-morrow. Children simply will not take the time from play to empty their bowels, which become clogged up with waste, liver gets sluggish, stomach sour. Look at the tongue, mother! If coated, or your child is listless, cross, feverish, breath bad, restless, doesn't eat heartily, full of cold or has sore throat or any other children's ailment, give a teaspoonful of "California Syrup of Figs." Then don't worry, because it is perfectly harmless, and in a few hours all this constipation, poison, sour bile and fermenting waste will gently move out of the bowels, and you have a well, playful child again. A thorough "inside cleansing" is oftentimes all that is necessary. It should be the first treatment given in any sickness.

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J. W. HAMMOND, Esq.

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We have used them in the family for about two years and we would not use anything else as long as we can get "Fruit-a-lives." Those who have been relieved by "Fruit-a-lives" are proud and happy to tell a sick or ailing friend about these wonderful tablets made from fruit juices.

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FRENCH COLONIES GIVING GREAT AID

They Are Adapting Themselves to the War Conditions in Europe Remarkably Well and More of Them Are Wanted.

Paris, Feb. 10.—Sixty tall Kabyles, mountaineers from eastern Algeria, descendants from the hardy and redoubtable race of Berbers, have lent a useful hand to the solution of the Paris street cleaning problem.

Garbage boxes that are now set out of doors in some quarters as early as 10 o'clock in the evening, to the damage of a great many shins in dimly lighted streets, are encountered in other quarters as late as 3 o'clock in the afternoon, all on account of the lack of help. Paris thus has been enjoying 17 hours of continuous contemplation of city refuse that is stirred, shaken and overturned in the meantime for rags, paper and bones. The Kabyles have done so well toward remedying this situation that 300 more of them will be utilized in the week.

"There are now 20,000 of our people working in France for the national defense," says Si Salah Si Ahmed, aide or governor of the Douar Matkas of Tizi-Ouzou in Kabylie. "Neither the climate nor the conflict daunts them," he added. Si Salah was sent by the 9,000 inhabitants of his Douar to tell the French government that it may count upon them for anything it wants.

The experiment of Algerian help in the field and factory in France has been a great success. These men, particularly those from the mountain regions, have wonderful endurance, are very industrious and easily contented. They are working alongside other Mussulmen from Morocco and Tunis, while a great many others are in the ranks of the Algerian riflemen at the front. They have proven a great deal more effective than the Senegalese in this climate; they have shown quite a taste for farming, have learned quickly the use of machine tools in factories, and their apprenticeship in municipal work has perhaps been the greatest success of all.

The Annamites from the French colony of Indo-China, also unskilled, have been quick to learn and are probably more fastidious in their work than the Kabyles; as gleaners in the harvest field last summer, they were said to have never overlooked a spear.

The Moors are better fighters than they are farmers, yet they are taking to agriculture and French observers who are watching the experiment look to the result of a most beneficial influence upon the future agricultural development of Morocco.

The question was raised in the Chamber of Deputies recently as to what complications might develop from the presence of so many colonial laborers in France at the end of the war. The general sentiment was that no apprehension need be entertained on this score, and that it was even less menacing than the formidable extension of the use of women in mechanical labor. The Kabyles, Indo-Chinese and Moors, it is held, will, after they have laid up a little money, be glad enough to go back home where their savings will enable them to play the "nabob."

Nearly every ship arriving from Algeria now brings more of the Kabyles, who are more and more counted upon to solve the question of labor. They are taller than the average Algerian, with features resembling somewhat those of the peasants of central France. They are not uniform in complexion, some being dark and some light, with fair hair. Their language is the Berber, although they use the Arabic letter. The possibilities of the experiment may be judged from the fact that Kabylie is the most populous part of north Africa, having 158 inhabitants per square mile.

FAVORS MAIL RATE RISE.

Increase on Second Class Matter Recommended By Senate Sub-Committee.

Washington, Feb. 10.—The Senate postoffice sub-committee yesterday recommended to the whole committee an increase in second-class mail rates of one-half cent per pound for this year and an additional half-cent per pound next spring. The entire committee already has received many protests against such an increase. It has not yet been recommended to the Senate.

AMERICAN MULE JUSTIFIES HIMSELF ON WESTERN FRONT

Not Capable of Doing Quite So Much As a Horse, He Nevertheless Is More Valuable Because He Has the Stamina to Stick to Work.

With the British armies in France, Feb. 10.—Two years and a half of the grimmest war in history have wrought the triumph of at least one American institution—the army mule. He has been weighed anew in the scales of battle, proved on the fire-swept fields of France and Flanders, and not found wanting. In warm winter coat and with long, inquisitive ears flopping back and forth in the breeze, he marches up among the roaring guns with a steady nonchalance that lends confidence and faith to the fighting men who depend upon him.

From Missouri, Georgia, Tennessee, Mississippi, Texas, and other stockfarms in the south, he has journeyed to the war and come into his own. The much maligned, supposedly stubborn, balky and generally pestiferous mule, has won a place in the heart of the British army from which he can never be dislodged. He was quite an asset in the South African campaign, but now is a real aristocrat of the transport service.

"A most magnificent creature," replied a British brigadier when asked for an opinion of the lowly American mule. "And he has a much better character than generally is given him. He is something like a camel in that respect. Most people cry down and berate the poor old camel, but once you get to know him he is much to be admired. It is just the same with the mule. He has some ways with him which the British Tommy didn't quite appreciate at first, but now they are better acquainted and have formed a sort of entente cordiale, the two have utmost respect for each other and 'carry on' at the front with complete understanding and effectiveness."

The mule had his supreme test on this front in the battles of the Somme. There were days and nights of unceasing labor, short rations and little or no attention. In exact ratio to the number employed, six horses succumbed where a single mule gave way.

The horse, of course, is an animal of finer fibre and is far more sensitive. If he stumbles into a shell hole filled with water he will strive and struggle to get out until he actually dies of a broken heart. Not so with the mule. He has no imagination and not much of an outlook on life. He calmly and philosophically lies in the shell hole until some one comes along and rigs him out.

The mule, some suppositions to the contrary notwithstanding, is vulnerable at times to shot and shell. Many of them have been killed in action along with the horses, and others have died of wounds. But modern veterinary skill is working wonders for the animals of war and one mule actually hurt indeed to be abandoned. The thick skin of the mule saves him from many of the troubles that beset the horse. It wards off mud blisters and the affections that come from the wet and damp and long exposure.

As to working values, the horse being far more anxious to please, will ordinarily accomplish as much as one and one-third mules. Some horses do the work of a mule and a half. But they cannot "stick it" long.

Visiting a veterinary hospital where there were hundreds of horses under medical repair, it was striking to notice but a solitary mule among them. Someone suggested this was strange, because the army had found the mule such a fine animal he had been imported by the tens of thousands.

"That's precisely it," said the doctor in charge; "it's because he is such a fine animal that you see so little of him here." Because he is generally civil and sometimes goes to sleep just about a howling nine-inch gun, it must not be supposed the American mule has lost all his old craft and mulish cunning. At one of the hospitals there is a sulphur "dip," or bath, like the cattle dips on western ranches. Most of the horses will plunge in over their heads and swim through, getting the full benefit of the disinfection. But Mr. Mule is rather too suspicious to take such chances. He is drawn in with great reluctance and holds his head high above the yellow liquid. One old fellow went through six times one day but not once did he get his head wet until the sponges were resorted to.

VILLA STRIKING HARD?

Reports Say He Is Occupying Positions Abandoned By American Troops.

El Paso, Feb. 9.—Villa bands under Salazar have occupied the Mormon settlement of Colonia Juarez, 16 miles southwest of Colonia Duran, former headquarters of the American punitive expedition, according to American cattlemen arriving from Mexico. From the same source it was learned that another band of Villa troops, under the command of Rodrigo and Silvestre Quevedo had taken possession of Colonia Duran. At Colonia Juarez and Colonia Duran there still remain many Mormon settlers.

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guia's forces and Villa's main column began at Santa Rosalia, 40 miles below Chihuahua City, according to word received in Juarez. Another report said a bandit band burned the railroad station at Moctezuma, about half way between Juarez and Chihuahua City.

Telegraph wires have been cut and bridges burned all along the line of the Mexico Northwestern railway south of Juarez, and the damage is said to have been done by Villa followers. Refugees from the Mormon colonies in the country recently vacated by Gen. Pershing's forces express uneasiness concerning those remaining behind. Government authorities do not credit the report that Villa is coming toward Juarez.

The civil chief of El Valle, Chihuahua, paid with his life for his friendliness to the American expeditionary troops, according to a rancher who arrived here yesterday from El Valle. He said the Villa forces, under Rodrigo Quevedo, arrested the police chief and executed him soon after the American troops left there for the border.

BILL TO SEIZE RAILROADS

Reported Favorably By Senate Interstate Commerce Committee.

Washington, Feb. 10.—The president is empowered in time of national emergency to commandeer the railroads of the United States "for military purposes," in a bill reported favorably to the Senate yesterday by the interstate commerce committee.

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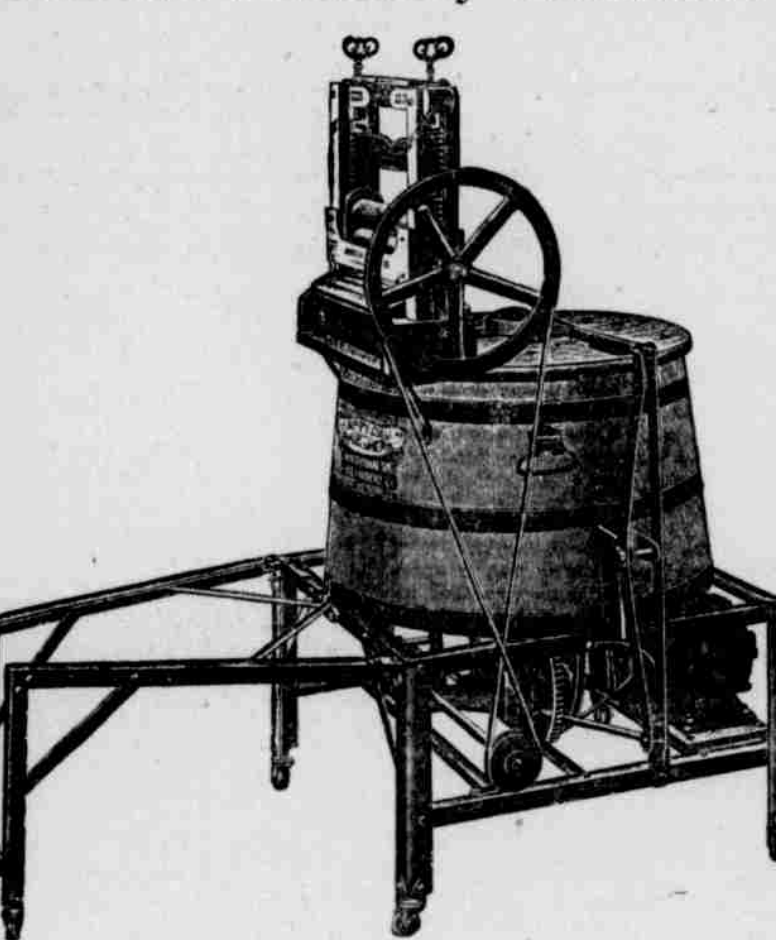
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